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**Information Disclosure Statement**  
**Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.97**

Dear Sir:

In connection with the above-identified application for patent, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner. A copy of each listed item is enclosed, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. 1.98(a)(2).

The Applicant earnestly solicits the Examiner's consideration of these items during examination of the application.

No representation is made that the items listed are "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. 102 and 103, and the Applicant reserves the right, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.131 or otherwise, to establish that the reference(s) are not "prior art".

This Information Disclosure Statement is submitted within three months of the filing date of the national application.

Respectfully submitted,  
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